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Spring seems to have come along at last. Now is the time to see that the garden tools are in good shape and the seeds ordered for the summer garden.

rates of forty mills for 1920, so that suffer because of its effects and abide Kingston is fortunate in getting off by its consequences. with thirty-six mills, if the figure is as high as that.

While there seems to have been prepare for a "rainy day" and to one is trying its hardest to lose it, garded as inevitable, comes.

ary amounted to \$15.70 a week, as the Financial Post of March 20th compared with \$15.30 in January, saying: "The time is coming when said that Graham bread is not so cision was hastened by the fact that \$13.41 a year ago, and \$7.75 in 1914. customers will want all the loose This is what makes life hard for money they can lay their hands on.

The G.W.V.A. Provincial Convention refused to have its 1921 meetings at Kingston because of lack of otel accommodation, but is going to Sudbury instead. Rather a knock for the old Limestone city, is it

Almost at the same time as Lord · Jellicoe was advocating a real navy for Canada, the government was making plans to dispose of what we already have. Not much sign of naval development there.

ment are all beneficial to the country. The Farmers are at least sincore in their declaration not to play with politics, and they are correcting many abuses of long standing.

is now selling at three points below Merchants are counselled to watch per. Those who bought them on the assurance of the canvassers that they would rise in price are feeling pretty sore just now, especially those who find themselves forced to sell.

The United States Senate, by re fusing to ratify the peace treaty, has placed the country in a difficult position. It is the only Allied nation still at war with Germany, and as such, it should be standing aloof from the enemy. But we do not find any restrictions on those who wish to catch the German trade.

A bill has been introduced into When bankers begin to talk this the Ontario Provincial House to abol- way there must be something beish property qualifications in muni- hind it that calls for the serious concipal elections. This is a purely la- sideration of everyone who is earnbor idea, and is probably one of the ing and spending, for as prices go agreements on which the labor-far- down, what about wages? The time mer coalition was formed. It will be is surely opportune for all to spend disastrous if such a measure becomes less and plan their expenditures in law, for then we might have a whole such a manner that there will be council, with not one man a property balance on the right side. While owner, voting away the taxes paid this is good advice at all times, it

THE FARM WAGE SITUATION. The farm papers of both Canada and the United States, among the liveliest and most influential publications, are devoting considerable study to the farm wage question. In a recent issue of the Farm Journal of Philadelphia appears this editor-

"The unrest in the entire industrial world is bringing us more and more to a recognition of the fundamental principle of the living wage. A wage based on cost of living must be a minimum, not a maximum wage. sin's dagger, and limit him strictly Many investigations have been con- to the conducted with a view to finding out just what is required for a living for an average family. But these have

farm?" Opinions differ. A man of average industry and capacity should be able at least to marry, to live in decent house and to provide the necessaries of physical efficiency for a normal family, while allowing a reasonable margin for contingencies and recreation. This basic wage is needs. Any additional compensation given the working man should be based on the value of the services rendered, and may not well be left to the bargaining between the employer and worker.

KINGSTON'S "PLACE IN THE

In the estimates brought down in the House of Commons this week ap-THE BRITISH WHIG PUBLISHING pear the following items: To improve Toronto harbor, \$1,700,000; for the Welland ship canal, \$5,500,000; for construction and betterments on the cessful example of disarmament. Trent Canal, \$400,000. Not a cent ton harbor, though, through its situation at the foot of lake navigation,

The story, aired so often in the press and in the House of Commons, more than the bullion without which that Bir Henry Drayton, Kingston's they would be of no value at all. federal member, had promised huge subsidy to this city, vanishes Calder, 22 St. John St., Montreal. huge subsidy to this city, vanishes F. M. Thompson, 402 Lumsden Bldg., into thin air. Sir Henry has denied F.R. Northrup 1226 Fifth Ave., New York the allegation not once but many times, but small-fry opposition per-Letters to the Editor are published sists in reiterating the report. Kingston's interests have seriously sufferbest job ed as a result.

The fact that a local man, with a grave mistake, should not preclude this city from reaping the rich advantages which its natural location has justly entitled it to expect. Poli- shirts. A day's honest labor is worth tical partizanship has been the curse a trunkful of promises to pay. of this fair city from the time when the first government of Upper and Lower Canada was established herei until the present day. Until this city can discard the out-worn political Sarnia and London have both tax faiths of a by-gone day, we must

IS A SLUMP DUE?

Business men are being warned to considerable discussion as to which conduct their operations that they one of the Allies won the war, there may not be caught with their assets can now be little doubt as to which | tied up when the slump, that is re-

The family food budget for Febru- of the Imperial Bank, is quoted in Many people think that Graham flour This taught the old chief a lesson men should keep their assets as therefore be good for us. liquid as possible. If their profits are all going into buildings and equipments when the inevitable break comes they will find it difficult to finance their affairs." Every business man should try to keep in-

dependent of the banks."

Other bankers and business men are sounding similar warnings, and suggesting that effective means be employed by merchants to protect their business. All of their utterances are based upon a premonition The changes being made in the of the coming drop from present ections act by the Farmer govern- high prices to much lower levels. and, in anticipation of this, banks are beginning to tighten up on credit, and before very long will begin to ask merchants to pay off some of their credit. If all of their profits are sunk in assets that cannot be Last fall's issue of Victory Bonds liquidated, how can this be done? their collections and invest their surplus in Victory Bonds or something of a similar character that may be leadily liquidated. Money has been plentiful, times have been prosperous, and during the past two years there seemed to be no shadows ahead. But prices have scared higher and higher from week to week and from month to month, and the feeling is gaining ground that the peak has almost been reached and that there must be a turn in the road Business men are the backbone o this country, and they should be the first to fortify themselves against the "inevitable break."

> comes now with greater significance especially to the business man who might be inclined to book too heavily for the future rather than to figures quick turnovers, while handling stocks that are adequate.

The bestial Turk is at last cowed into submission, and if Britain is wise she will forever hold the Turk in

Britain's Justice.
(Ottawa Journal)
No other power in the wor

dealt almost exclusively with city voluntarily, after conquest, relin- | the outside covering or bran has other power in the world has volun- the most nutritious flour made. tarily facilitated the acquisition of The grain of wheat has several

ing unanimously passed a resolution denouncing daylight saving.

Most Successful Example (Buffalo News) If it is only Hearst, there need never be any doubt as to friendly relations continuing between Canada and the United States a relationship founded on a simple "gentlemen's agreement" of more than a century ago, to disarm on the border. That agreement stands to-day before the world as the most suc-

A Glaring Anomaly.

(Montreal Herald) It would appear that American paper money is at a premium in our banks of from thirteen to fifteen per One year, delivered in city ...\$6.00 It has become one of the most imOne year, if paid in advance ..\$5.00 It has become one of the most imOne year, by man to rural offices \$2.50 portant harbors on the Great Lakes.
One year to United States ....\$3.00 The story, aired so often in the tiffcates printed on paper are worth tificates printed on paper are worth Surely this is a glaring anomaly, and indicates what dangers there

> (Chicago Tribune) ness luxury combined. As much can sibly it was because A small farm owner is better than two tenants. A dollar's worth of land is worth more than \$10 worth of silk

### The Reason Why

the following pages, consists briefly ed. As the chief was anxious for in taking out of it all but the in- trade he had a letter written by his side of the grain of wheat. When prisoner asking for business but un-

William Moffatt, general manager in the flour, and ground up finely. to release his captives.

quished one-tenth the amount of ter- been separated. It contains every-"What is a living wage on the ritory Britain has retired from. No thing but the bran and is therefore

self-government by one-tenth of coverings of bran coats, the outer the colonies or possessions Britain one of which is the one composed of found the inner bran coats, which contain the gluten. Gluten is a dark Speaking at Kingston to a gather- substance containing the flesh-forming of the United Farmer party, Mr. ing or nitrogenous elements, which Kennedy, M.P. challenged any one are valuable in muscle building. determined primarily by human to point to any plank in the U.F.O. The inside or heart of the grain of platform which meant class legisla- wheat consists of cells filled with tion. Five minutes later the meet- starch, a fine white mealy powde: which has little value as food, but is a great heat producer. Sometimes in making whole wheat flour, the heart of the grain is also removed, making pure gluten flour. The name whole wheat for flour is not accurate, therefore, for Graham flour is made of the whole wheat grain, while "whole wheat" flour is made of only certain parts of the grain of wheat.

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Dominion Happenings of Other

Chief Maquinna An Indian chief who was very much in the limelight when the westfirst was Chief Maquinna, of Vancouver Island. He had his camp not far from Fort Nootka, the place Capt. Cook founded in the latter days of There must be an end of all this the eighteenth century. He clashed luxury. Land waste is land luxury. with some of the first visitors but Money waste is land luxury and idle- ly attitude to the newcomers. Poscommendable public ambitions, made be taken from one acre intensively opportunities of favorable trade that farmed as from two acres neglected. he was for a time so courteous. But stble for some appalling tragedies. In 1802 he murdered seven British sailors who had deserted their ship and sought refuge among his people. Then the next year the S.S. "Boston" was captured by his band because he thought he had been insulted by the captain of the vessel. He made the capture of the ship by bringing some of his warriors aboard to dance What is the Difference Between Gra- before the captain. At, a signal given by the chief the braves leaped on Graham flour from which Graham the unsuspecting whites and murderbread is baked is made from un- ed all but two members of the crew. bolted flour. The process of bolting They were kept prisoners and slaves flour, which is described in one of until 1805 when another ship appearthis has been done, we have pure fortunately for the chief, the writer In making Graham flour every when the Indian went on board the part of the grain of wheat is left vessel he was held until he agreed

is made from a special grain called and for the rest of his life he left Graham, but this is not true. It is the whites alone fairly well. His degood for you because it contains the in 1805 a lone white survivor of a outside covering of the wheat grain ship that had been taken by Indians or bran which is composed of almost farther north touched off the powder pure silica, the same substance of magazine of the vessel and blew himor two years I don't know. Business which glass is made, and cannot self and over one hundred redskins to pieces with 9,000 pounds of pow-Whole wheat flour is made from | der. Whites were much more the whole grain of wheat from which respected after such a demonstration.

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The spine of winter beats the band, it is an artful dodger; at times we think we have it canned, and made a graveyard lodger. We cry, "The spring has come at last, with robin, wren and sparrow!" And then there comes a bitter blast that chills us to the narrow. Then in a whitewashed ward we lodge, attended by neat nurses, and we are lucky if we dodge a joyride in some hearses. Each year the backbone seems to sag, to show that winter's ended; each year it springs the same old gag, and all our hearts are rended. We plant our early spuds and greens, that we may eat in summer; then comes a blast from arctic scenes that puts them on the hummer. One night last week I went to bed and thought the winter ended; the sky was cloudless overhead, the outlook simply splen-I thought the backbone had the jar it long had been demanding, and so I didn't drain my car, but left the water standing. Oh, whiskers! When the morning broke, the winter was renascent, the snow

was flying round like smoke-I longed to cuss, but dassent! And all my neighbors had the gripes, those patient watchful waiters; the town was full IN YOUR PLAN OF, LIFE, HAVE of frozen pipes, and busted radiators.

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